

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1128 - HB 1372

March 9, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the use of unmanned traffic enforcement cameras by local governments to enforce or monitor traffic violations; Defines unmanned traffic enforcement camera and traffic violation for the purpose of the bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Revenue – Exceeds \$978,000

Assumptions:

- This bill is only relevant to local government; any fiscal impact to the state is considered not significant.
- Based on information from the Comptroller of the Treasury, the cities of Murfreesboro and Gallatin received gross revenue of \$1,115,855 and \$289,660 respectively in FY13-14, for a total of \$1,405,515, derived from unmanned traffic enforcement cameras.
- Murfreesboro and Gallatin paid their traffic camera vendors, expenses of approximately \$890,500 and \$189,000 respectively in FY13-14, for total expenses of \$1,079,500.
- The net revenue for Murfreesboro and Gallatin in FY13-14 is estimated to be \$225,355 (\$1,115,855 - \$890,500) and \$100,660 (\$289,660 - \$189,000) respectively; for total net revenue of \$326,015 (\$225,355 + \$100,660). Under the provisions of this bill, there will be a collective decrease in local revenue of \$326,015 for the cities of Murfreesboro and Gallatin.
- The use of unmanned traffic enforcement cameras is prevalent in cities across the state. However, at present, the FRC staff is unable to secure a count of how many cities currently use this tool for enforcing traffic laws. If there are, at least, two cities currently utilizing such cameras in each grand division of the state (with Murfreesboro and Gallatin as representative of Middle Tennessee), then a total decrease in local revenue statewide of at least \$978,045 (\$326,015 x 3) is estimated.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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